

[Gor Svenson #8]

ORIGINAL MSS. OR FIELD NOTES

PUB. Living Lore

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WRITER Harry Wheeler

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(Concluding a record of interviews with Gor Svenson, 63, a Swedish-born quarry-worker and lobsterman.)

“By gosh, that is going to be some thing, harr, that World's Fair! I have never seen a thing like that Fair, harr. Only in the papers. I do not like to read much the papers. You cannot tell what in them is truth, what is lies. They all alike. They do not care for people, poor people. They care just for rich people. All the papers. Except this. (waves copy of Boston American). See all the pictures? Of the buildings? I wonder what they make those

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buildings of, harr? I guess they do not make them of granite. They could, but. Make fine building of granite, beautiful building, last long, last forever. I guess no more Rockport granite buildings, harr [?]

“You know that bridge down by Rockport Granite Company Quarry? Made of granite that bridge. You gone, I gone, Hitler gone, Roosevelt gone, that bridge still there, wait and see! Lots fine buildings made of Rockport Granite. The Court up in Salem, that is fine building, that is made of Rockport granite. They got big museum in Boston near what they call Fenway (Evans Memorial Galleries, Boston Museum of Fine Arts - field-worker) that is made of Rockport granite. Look, I show you. I got book here pictures all kind of buildings made out of Rockport granite (produces advertising folder which lists: Houbigant Bldg., N.Y. C., Seaboard National Bank, N. Y. C., Mellon National Bank, Pittsburgh., fountains in Union Station Plaza, Washington, D. C. White Mem. Fountain, Boston Public Gardens, Longfellow Bridge, Boston-Cambridge, Eagles, Custom House, Boston, and etc). You want see good granite building some time you just go over see Gloucester Trust Company, That good Rockport [??]